



RUSSIANS ABANDON SECOND DEFENSE LINE; KOVNO FALLS; RETREAT ALL ALONG FRONT

Von Hindenburg Smashes Through Great Northern Fortress—Von Mackensen Drives Slavs Into Brest Litovsk.

The entire Russian line from Kovno to Brest Litovsk is in retreat. Field Marshal von Hindenburg has smashed through the mighty fortifications of Kovno and the Russians have been driven from the city, leaving behind hundreds of guns and great stores of ammunition.

REV. S. K. BOYER DIES

Retired Episcopal Clergyman, 76 Years Old, Succumbs to Infirmities of Old Age

The Rev. Simon K. Boyer, a retired clergyman of the Episcopal Church, died today at his home, 89 East Duval street. He was 76 years old. Death was due to the infirmities of old age.

CRAMP HEAD DENIES SALE OF SHIPYARDS TO GERMAN EMPIRE

Henry S. Grove Says New York Herald Story Is Ridiculous and Utterly False

NO CHANGE OF DIRECTORS

Emphatic denial of the intimation that changes in the directors of the Cramp Ship and Engine Building Company had been obtained by the Imperial German Government was made this afternoon by Henry S. Grove, president of the company.

THOMAS E. SMITH TAKES OATH

Former Postmaster Now Officially Member of Public Service Commission

Man Falls Dead While Working

Patrick J. Carroll, 35 years old, of 222 North Hill street, fell dead in a room in the plant of the Gibbs and Eddy Company, 222 South Front street, where he was employed.

THE WEATHER

FORECAST For Philadelphia and vicinity—Fair and continued cool tonight and tomorrow; gentle to moderate north to northwest winds.



Photo by Gutekins. REV. H. McK. MOORE

REV. H. McK. MOORE DROWNS IN RAPIDS; SON SEES HIM SINK

Assistant Rector of St. Philip's, West Philadelphia Episcopal Church, Thrown From Canoe

WAS FRIEND OF BISHOP

The Rev. H. McKnight Moore, widely known Philadelphia Episcopal clergyman, was drowned today in the Delaware River, near Lambertville, N. J., when a canoe in which he was traveling with one of his sons upset below the rapids known as Wells Falls.

I FORTI DI TOLMINO ATTACCATI DA CADORNA

Gli Italiani Fanno 564 Prigionieri—Gli Alpini sull'Alto Gruppo dell'Orler

Un comunicato ufficiale pubblicato ieri sera dal Ministero della Guerra a Roma dice che il generale Cadorna ha iniziato una vigorosa offensiva in forza contro le opere che difendono Tolmino.

HARRIS PLEDGES ACTION

ATLANTA, Ga., Aug. 18.—Thirty-six hours after a mob visited the State Prison Farm, at Milledgeville, and there stole away from the guards and hanged Leo M. Frank, the man whose case had aroused millions of people to his defense, not one arrest had been made.

FRANK'S KIDNAPPERS PLACED ON PEDESTAL

Marietta Man Calls Lynchers "Loyal, Faithful Patriots"

President Rea Reported Better

It was learned today that there was a slight improvement in the condition of Samuel Rea, president of the Pennsylvania Railroad. He is resting easily at the Polyclinic Hospital.

ZEPPELINS HIT BRITAIN AGAIN; 10 LIVES LOST

East Coast Towns Bombed—Women and Children Killed

BUILDINGS DAMAGED

German Air Fleet Escapes Despite Fire From Anti-Aircraft Guns

LONDON, Aug. 18.—Ten persons were killed and 35 injured by bombs dropped in another Zeppelin raid on England last night.

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WASHINGTON NUM ON PROBE OF GERMAN SPY CHARGE

Secret Service Agents Active—Gompers' Charges Grave

WOMEN AND CHILDREN DEAD

The majority of the civilians drowned or killed at Texas City were women and children, said a dispatch reaching Fort Worth this morning from New Orleans.

MURDERERS OF FRANK WILL NOT BE ARRESTED, SAYS ACTING SHERIFF

Cobb County Guardian of the Peace Says "No Grand Jury Would Indict" Men in Lynching Party

GIRLS BADLY HURT IN MOTORCYCLE JOY RIDE

Machine Crashes Head-on Into Automobile—Man Loses Leg

THREE PERSONS INJURED ON BROAD STREET WHEN ANIMALS BOLT

Three persons were injured, one of whom may die, as the result of a motorcycle joy ride which ended early today on the Northeast Boulevard, near Tacony Creek.

JITNEY RIDERS HURT BY CRASH OF HORSES

Three other passengers in the jitney were cut and bruised. They were treated at a drugstore and refused to go to a hospital or to give their names.

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HOUSTON'S LOSS FROM FLOOD WILL REACH MILLIONS

HOUSTON, Tex., Aug. 18.—The first word out of Houston in two days states that the property damage there will amount to several millions of dollars.

MISSING MAN ACCUSED OF \$8000 THEFT

Albert Merrill, 30 years old, of 515 2d street, Camden, a branch manager for the Adams Express Company in Camden, disappeared last Saturday, and \$8000 cash, it was learned today, is missing.

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